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Jeannette Rowlett to Demonstrate Wire-Wrapped Jewelry at Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea

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BEREA, Ky. – On Saturday, June 14, Jeannette Rowlett, of Berea, will wrap semi-precious gems and Austrian crystals with sterling silver and 14-karat gold wire to create her unique jewelry, from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea.

A Laurel County native, Rowlett is a retired teacher and administrator who lives in Madison County. She specializes in the ancient art of wire-wrapped jewelry, which is made using non-solder methods and simple tools. With her hands, she bends, smoothes and shapes sterling silver and 14-karat gold wire around semi-precious stones and colorful Austrian crystals to make sparkling and unique pieces of jewelry.

"My particular taste drives my style," Rowlett said. "I strive to create jewelry that brings joy to the owner, who will wear it again and again."

Rowlett sells her work at art shows throughout the year and is a juried member and director of the Kentucky Guild of Artists and Craftsmen. She is also a juried member of the Sheltowee Artisan Guild and is a juried participant of the Kentucky Art Council's Kentucky Crafted program.

Works by Rowlett are regularly available at the Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea, located at 200 Artisan Way, just off Interstate 75 at Berea, Exit 77. The center's exhibits, shopping and travel information areas are open daily, year-round, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and the cafe is open from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Admission is free.

The center currently features works by more than 700 artisans from more than 100 counties across the Commonwealth. A gallery exhibit, "Repurposed & Recycled: Works by Kentucky Artisans," is on display through Sept. 6; and in the lobby, "Kentucky Bourbon: Distillation and Inspiration," is also on display through July 6. For information about the center's events call 859-985-5448, visit us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/kentucky.artisan.center, or go to the center's website at www.kentucky.artisan.center.ky.gov.

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